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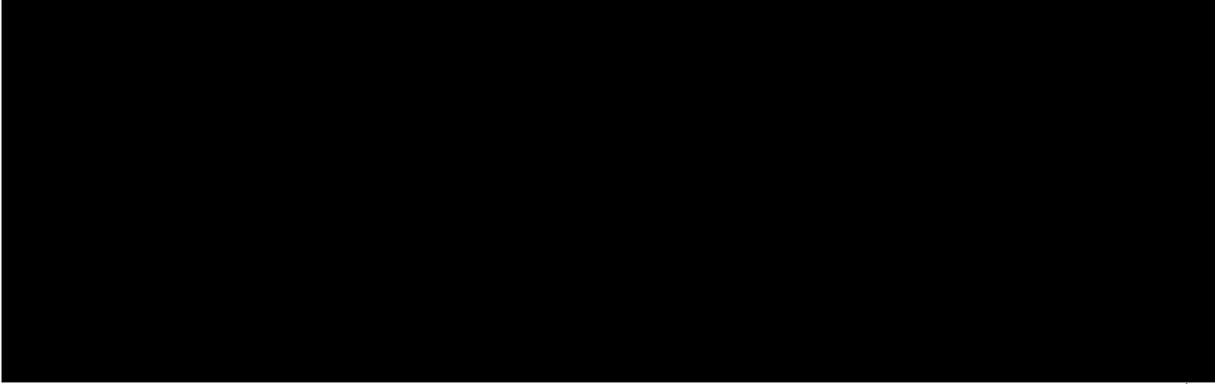
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During a meeting between Paul-Henri Spaak and Alcide De Gasperi, in Brussels toward the end of November 1948, Spaak stated that he could personally guarantee a solution of the colonial question which would be favorable to Italy, provided that Italy renounce her claims to Cyrenaica in favor of a British mandate. De Gasperi reportedly refused to accept Spaak's offer on the grounds that he had received a report from Ambassador Jefferson Caffery, through Italian Ambassador Pietro Quaroni, to the effect that Secretary Marshall agreed with the British view that Italy should not control Eritrea.

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